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TAGS: PBOR, GT, UK, BH

SUBJ: AMBASSADOR YOUNG ON BELIZE

1. FOLLOWING IS EXCERPT FROM CABLE SENT ACTION GUATEMALA  
FROM SAN JOSE ON AUGUST 9.

BEGIN TEXT:

1. PER YOUR TELEPHONE INQUIRY, FOLLOWING IS ENGLISH TEXT OF QUESTION AND ANSWER ON BELIZE ASKED BY LOCAL UNIVERSITY STUDENTS AT MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR YOUNG AUGUST 9 AT BINATIONAL CENTER. QUESTION: DOES THE ADMINISTRATION OF PRESIDENT CARTER SUPPORT THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE PEOPLE OF BELIZE IN THEIR CRUSADE FOR FREEDOM? ANSWER: YES, WE DO. END TEXT.

2. DEPARTMENT HAS PREPARED FOLLOWING PRESS GUIDANCE ON THIS ISSUE, AND TEXT HAS BEEN RELAYED TO EMBASSY GUATEMALA AND UK EMBASSY WASHINGTON.

BEGIN TEXT:

QUESTION: YESTERDAY IN COSTA RICA AMBASSADOR YOUNG SAID THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION SUPPORTS THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE PEOPLE OF BELIZE AND THEIR CURSADE FOR FREEDOM. IS THAT THE POSITION OF THE ADMINISTRATION ON BELIZE?

ANSWER: WE WOULD SUPPORT THE INDEPENDENCE OF BELIZE IF THAT WERE TO BE THE SOLUTION REACHED BY THE PARTIES IN THEIR CONTINUING DISCUSSION ON THIS LONG-STANDING ISSUE. WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE THAT A SOLUTION SHOULD BE ARRIVED AT THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE PARTIES. WE BELIEVE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AMBASSADOR YOUNG'S RESPONSE TO APRESS QUERY IN SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA, WAS CONSISTENT WITH THIS POSTION. END TEXT.

3. NO QUESTIONS AROSE AT DEPARTMENT'S AUGUST 10 NOON BRIEFING. CHRISTOPHER

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